

prayer meeting continue to keep up their part of the spiritual work, at all times. Our S. S. is very prosperous. This Lord's day morning our church met to pay the last tribute of respect to a brother whose spirit has gone to its long home. Brother Chester Corey died on his 62nd birthday. He had a paralytic stroke, only living about 36 hours afterward. He was unconscious most of the time. May those who mourn look to God for comfort and rest in the time which now seems to the human mind as most sad. God help us to understand his will. Yours for Christ and his cause.

MARY DIETZ.

Report of the S. S. C. E. Sessions, Johnstown Conference.

FIRST SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

The National S. S. C. E. convened in business session in the Brethren church on Somerset St. The meeting was opened by the president, Laura E. N. Grossnickle with reading and prayer.

The president then appointed the following a committee on credentials: H. Helen Frame, Clara Miller, Sarah Cobaugh. The committee reported the following delegates: Pennsylvania—Miss Ethlyn Clark, Miss Sarah Cobaugh, Miss Lottie Brumbaugh, Mrs. J. E. Parsons, Mrs. Dr. Beachley, Mrs. M. C. Meyers, Mrs. Sadie Hunter. Ohio—Mrs. C. E. Deffenbaugh, Mrs. Clara Miller. Indiana—Miss Sadie Leslie, Mrs. H. H. Frame, Mrs. Alice Augustine. Maryland and Virginia—Vianna Detwiler.

The members of the executive committee elected by delegates were Mrs. L. A. McKinley, Meyersdale, Pa.; Mrs. Sarah Keim, Gratis, Ohio; Mrs. Bessie Perry, N. Manchester, Ind.; Mollie Shaver, Maurertown, Va. Maryland and West Virginia are also in this district.

According to the National constitution the president appointed the members of the executive committee in the following districts not represented by delegates: Kate Shively, California; Nina Lichty, Kanemorado; Ellen Gnagey, Illiokota; Hattie Bowers, Michigan.

The National President is also president of this Board making in all nine members.

The meeting was then voted a mass convention and that the members assembled in mass convention elect the National President by acclamation. I. E. N. Grossnickle was elected. Moved and carried that Mrs. L. A. McKinley be empowered to co operate with the president in organizing the executive board. The following are the officers of said board: L. E. N. Grossnickle, president; Ellen Gnagey, vice president; Mollie Shaver, treasurer; Bessie Perry, Secretary.

The question, What shall be the procedure the coming year as to the remittance of funds in case the college is not opened. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to continue the aid to worthy men and women as in the past.

The question as to the requirements of the S. S. C. E. from the persons receiving aid was discussed at some length, and finally referred to a committee who will report in the near future.

A letter from professor W. C. Perry, was read by the president as a partial report of his work during the past year as tutor for the brethren whose tuition was paid by the society. Brethren J. M. Fox, L. O. Hubbard, W. H. Miller and A. T. Wirick are serving as pastors. David Flora and J. M. Chandler are not ready for pastoral work yet, but are preaching some and will continue their preparation.

Adjournment.

SECOND SESSION.

The National S. S. C. E. convened in the Grandview Tabernacle at 7:30 P. M. The meeting was opened with singing by the choir. Devotional services led by Mrs. J. C. Mackey.

The report of the previous business session was given by the secretary, Mrs. M. C. Meyers, in the absence of the treasurer, her report was given by the president, Laura E. N. Grossnickle.

The audience was then beneficially entertained by an address by the president on the S. S. C. E. review and outlook, giving the age of the society, showing its growth, telling of the discouragements and success, and pointing to a view of greater and grander usefulness in the future.

In the absence of Mrs. S. B. Grisso her paper on the topic, Has the S. S. C. E. been a success spiritually? was read by Mrs. H. Helen Frame. A paper on the topic, What can I do to widen the sphere and influence of the S. S. C. E.? written by Miss Ida Simmonds, but not being present, her paper was read by Mrs. Wagner. A paper on The Beauty of holiness, by Miss Della Ripple, was read. A paper, Progression the law of all life, Mrs. Anna Nowag. Solo, by Mrs. J. E. Parsons. A paper, The possibilities of faith, written by Miss Anna Reiff, but in her absence was read by Alice Augustine.

A silk quilt, made by the S. S. C. E. of Pennsylvania for the benefit of the Washington Mission was then sold to the General Conference, the proceeds to be equally divided between the Chicago, Dayton and Washington Missions. \$32.52 was realized by this sale. The quilt with a purse was presented to our worthy brother and sister H. R. Holsinger, who made

a very appropriate response. The conference then adjourned to meet on Monday evening to complete the S. S. C. E. program.

THIRD SESSION.

The S. S. C. E. convened at 7:30 P. M. Devotional services by Mrs. Rev. E. E. Haskins. A few words of friendly greeting from the President. We listened to the reading of papers by the following persons: Our talents and how to use them, Mrs. M. C. Meyers; How to interest the uninterested, Mrs. Dr. Beachley; Social law of service, Mrs. J. Allen Miller; Christian enthusiasm and how to stimulate it, written by Mrs. Dr. McGregor, but read by Miss Kennedy, who also rendered a recitation. A paper written by Agnes Stoddard was read by Vianna Detwiler. A recitation by Miss Carrie Ripple. A short address on the Chicago mission, by Rev. McFaden.

The sales table netted the society the sum of \$39.44. The sale of silk quilt was \$32.52, a total of which is \$71.96. Amount of goods not sold, \$7.60, also on hand three quilts which were donated to the society.

LAURA E. N. GROSSNICKLE, Pres.

LEVINA E. MYERS, Sec'y.

Tom's Brook, Va.

I made a flying trip to the Fort again for just a few days. Preached two sermons, had an all day grove meeting at Dry Run, and a good congregation and the best of order. Sermon, a missionary discourse, took up a small mission collection, amount 49 cents. We had a council meeting on Saturday, the best I have attended in a long time. Restored one dear brother back to the fold. Inclosed find money order for 80 cents for two subscribers. I will be one of 500 to get two new subscribers for 1898 besides my own, at least.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN K. LEEDY.

Milledgeville, Ill.

To those who contemplate subscribing for the King's Children paper, we wish to say, Brother Cassel's excellent paper, "The King's Children in Mission Work," which was read at our recent General Conference will be printed in the October and November issues, and should be read by every member of the church. Do not fail to send in your subscriptions in time for these two issues.

The other conference papers will also appear in those issues and others to follow, and all of them are very interesting. No member of the church should be without the King's Children paper, if you wish